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<u>Amendments to the Claims:</u> This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application

Listing of Claims:

1-88 Cancelled

89. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for reinforcing a bifurcated lumen comprising:
a first section, configured to be positioned within the lumen, comprising:
an upper limb, configured to fit within the lumen upstream of the bifurcation;
a first lower limb, configured to extend into a first leg of said bifurcation when said first section is positioned in the lumen, and

a second lower limb, shorter than said first lower limb, and configured so that when said first section is positioned in the lumen, said second lower limb does not extend into a second leg of said bifurcation.

- 90. Cancelled.
- 91. (New) The apparatus of claim 89, wherein the first section comprises a sinuous wire formed into a tubular configuration.
- 92. (New) The apparatus of claim 91, further comprising securing means for securing an apex of the sinuous wire in a hoop to a juxtaposed apex in a neighboring hoop so that each hoop is supported by its neighbors.
- 93. (New) The apparatus of claim 89, wherein the first section comprises a plurality of hoops oriented such that a plane of a circumference of each hoop is disposed substantially perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of the first section.
- 94. (New) The apparatus of claim 89, wherein a plane of a circumference of a hoop at each longitudinal end of the first section is square to a longitudinal axis of the first section.
- 95. (New) The apparatus of claim 89, wherein the second lower limb comprises a sinuous wire formed into a tubular configuration.